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Mail Stop AF **COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL</u>

We are enclosing an amendment in response to the final Office Action dated June 7, 2005 in the above-identified application.

	Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby	y
made	if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to	
be \$_	to extend the time for filing this response until	

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED								
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highe Numb Previou Paic	er Extra	Rate			
Total Claims	8	Minus	20	0	x \$50.00	\$0		
Independent Claims	2	Minus	3	0	× \$200.00	\$0		
MULT	IPLE DEPENDEN	T CLAIM FEE			×	\$360.00 = \$0		
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A check in the amount of \$	calculated to be \$ 0.00 .	ent, including claim changes and	any extension of time is
C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-0467. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed. Respectfully submitted, Paul D. Greelly Registration No. 31,019 Attorney for Applicant(s) Ohlandt, Greeley, Ruggiero & Perle, L.L.P. One Landmark Square, 10 th floor Stamford, CT 06901-2682 Tel: (203) 327-4500 Fax: (203) 327-6401 CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING FACSIMILE TRANSMITTED TO TFACSIMILE NUMBER (571) 273-8300, c/o MAIL STOP AF, COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P.O. B 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, ON July23, 2005.	A check in the amount	of \$ is attached.	
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 7, 2005, please amend the present application as follows:

Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.